

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant(s): Wang, et al.  
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AMIDES TO PACLITAXEL OR OTHER TAXANES

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**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R §1.47(a) TO  
ACCEPT DECLARATION WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR  
REFUSING TO SIGN DECLARATION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF  
MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

This communication is in response to the Decision on Petition mailed January 30, 2007. In said decision, the Examiner argues it would not be appropriate to accept the declaration filed May 30, 2006 signed by inventor Rex Gallagher in satisfaction of requirement (4) of the petition because the spelling of the inventor's name on the declaration is different ("Gallagher") from the spelling on the published international application ("Galleegher"). Applicants point out that "Rex T. Gallagher", the signing inventor on the declaration of May 30, 2006, and "GALLEGHER, Rex, T.", the listed inventor on the international publication are the same individual, and the discrepancy in the spelling of the surname is merely the result of a typographical error in the international publication.

The correct spelling of the inventor's name is "Gallagher", as spelled and signed on the declaration filed May 30, 2006. Applicants submit the spelling of the name on the international publication results from a typographical error, and the discrepancy in the

spellings was purely as a result of the typographical error and was without deceptive intent on the part of the Applicants.

In light of the above statements, Applicants hereby petition and request that the previously filed Petition be granted to accept the previously provided Declaration pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) regarding a non-signing inventor, and that this application be advanced to examination.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned attorney. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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